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Conformable Backrest for a Chair

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The Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C.
U.S.A. 20231

RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action in this matter, mailed on December 22, 2000 (the "Office Action").

Amendments to the Application as Filed

The Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 10 to read as follows:

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DK 10. [amended] A backrest for attachment to a chair having a seat, the backrest comprising:

- a)
- (a) a support structure having a top and a bottom; and,
- (b) a plurality of flexible, independently moveable, vertically extending members positioned to engage at least a portion of a back of a person when the person is seated in the chair, wherein the vertically extending members have a bottom portion that is vertically